



# ***State & Metro Trends***

## ***Tracking Mississippi's Workforce***

***Data for June 2006***

### ***Highlights***



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seasonal drop**

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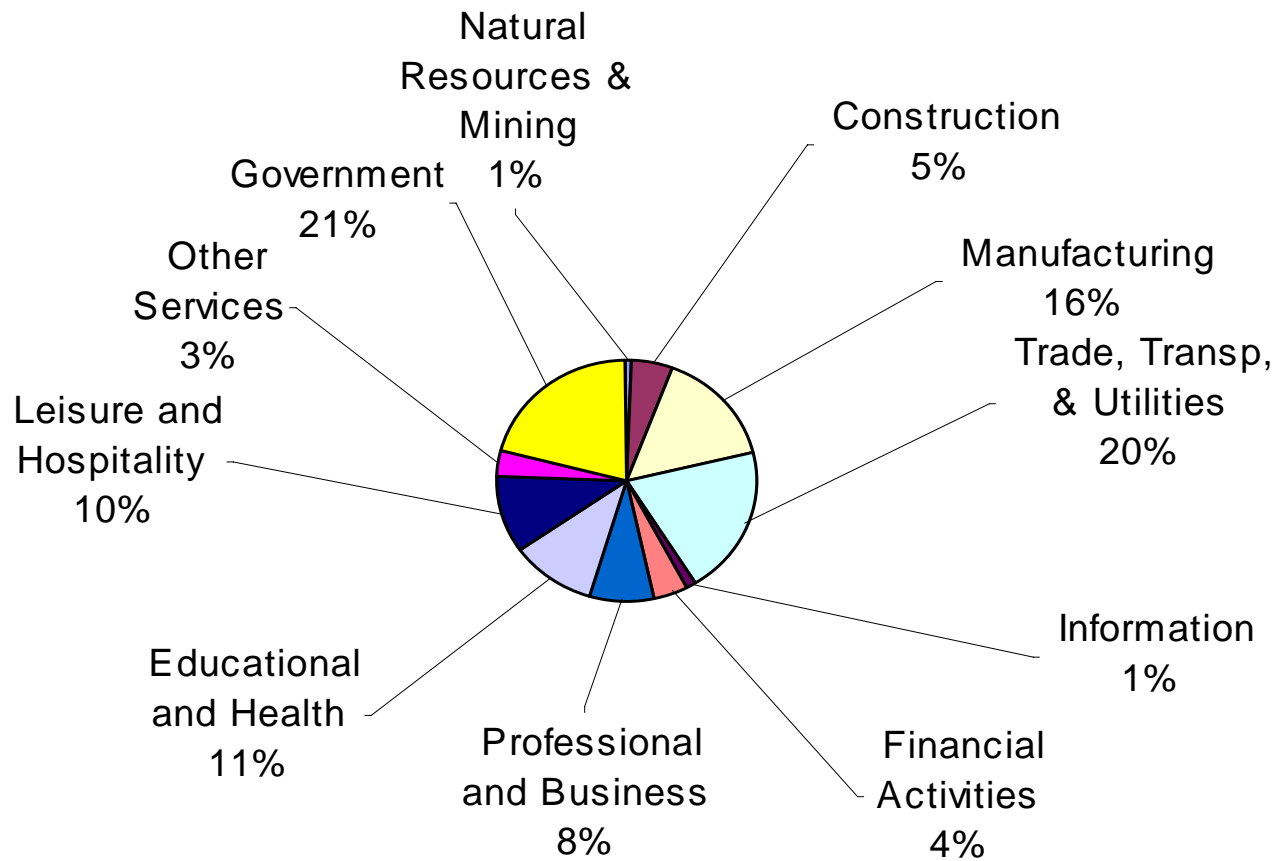
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# Mississippi Nonfarm Employment

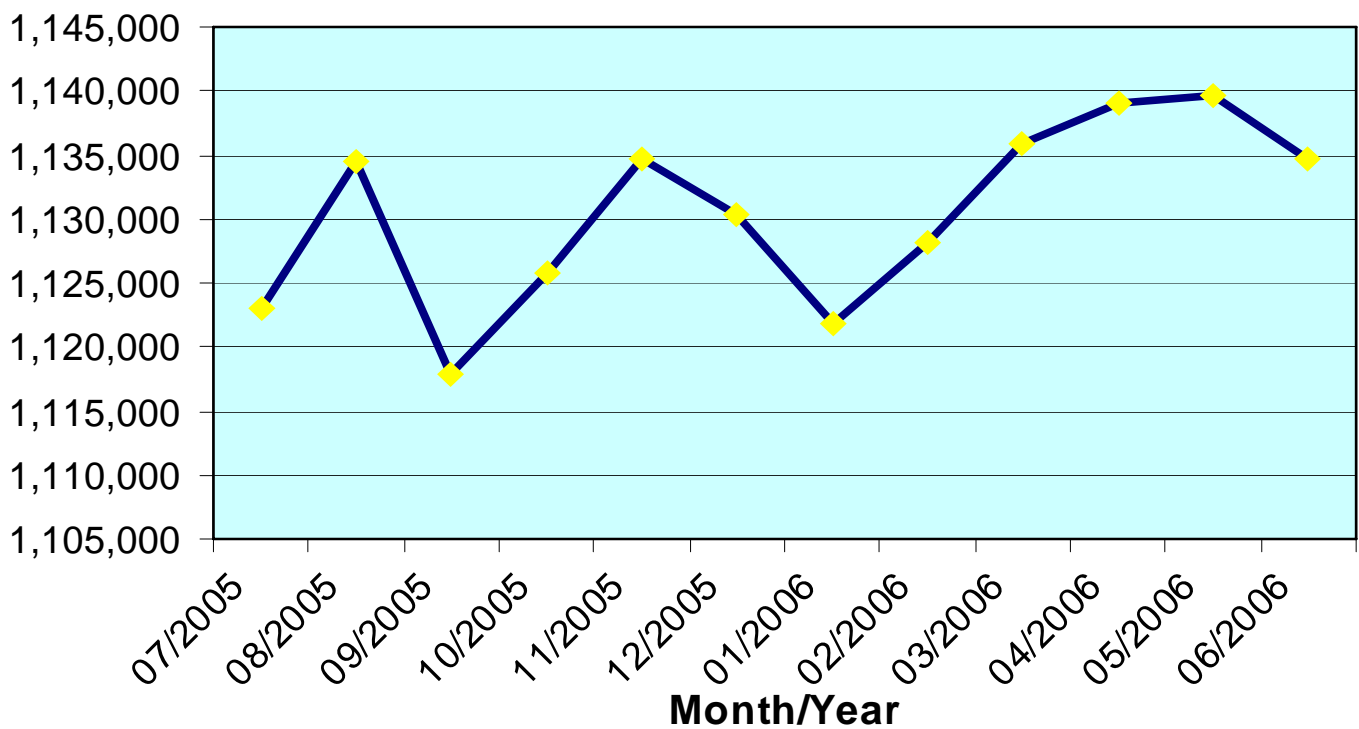
	Preliminary June 2006	Revised May 2006	Revised June 2005	Monthly Change		Annual Change	
				Net	Pct	Net	Pct
<b>Total Nonfarm Employment</b>	<b>1,134,700</b>	<b>1,139,600</b>	<b>1,134,200</b>	<b>(4,900)</b>	<b>(0.4)</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Total Private</b>	<b>894,200</b>	<b>896,000</b>	<b>894,200</b>	<b>(1,800)</b>	<b>(0.2)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Goods Producing</b>	<b>241,700</b>	<b>241,100</b>	<b>240,600</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>1,100</b>	<b>0.5</b>
<b>Service Providing</b>	<b>893,000</b>	<b>898,500</b>	<b>893,600</b>	<b>(5,500)</b>	<b>(0.6)</b>	<b>(600)</b>	<b>(0.1)</b>
Private Service Providing	652,500	654,900	653,600	(2,400)	(0.4)	(1,100)	(0.2)
<b>Natural Resources &amp; Mining</b>	<b>9,300</b>	<b>9,100</b>	<b>8,700</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>6.9</b>
<b>Construction</b>	<b>56,500</b>	<b>55,900</b>	<b>52,000</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>4,500</b>	<b>8.7</b>
<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>175,900</b>	<b>176,100</b>	<b>179,900</b>	<b>(200)</b>	<b>(0.1)</b>	<b>(4,000)</b>	<b>(2.2)</b>
<b>Durable Goods</b>	<b>116,700</b>	<b>116,100</b>	<b>117,900</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>(1,200)</b>	<b>(1.0)</b>
Wood Product Manufacturing	14,200	14,300	13,300	(100)	(0.7)	900	6.8
Sawmill- Wood Preservation	6,000	6,000	5,700	0	0.0	300	5.3
Fabricated Metals	10,800	10,600	11,000	200	1.9	(200)	(1.8)
Machinery Manufacturing	12,100	11,900	12,600	200	1.7	(500)	(4.0)
Electrical Equipment & Appliances	10,700	10,600	9,700	100	0.9	1,000	10.3
Electrical Equipment	5,500	5,400	4,700	100	1.9	800	17.0
Transportation Equipment	28,300	27,400	29,400	900	3.3	(1,100)	(3.7)
Motor Vehicle Parts	7,300	7,000	7,500	300	4.3	(200)	(2.7)
Ship & Boat Building	13,500	13,200	14,600	300	2.3	(1,100)	(7.5)
Furniture & Related	26,600	27,200	27,400	(600)	(2.2)	(800)	(2.9)
<b>Nondurable Goods</b>	<b>59,200</b>	<b>60,000</b>	<b>62,000</b>	<b>(800)</b>	<b>(1.3)</b>	<b>(2,800)</b>	<b>(4.5)</b>
Food Manufacturing	26,000	26,100	27,100	(100)	(0.4)	(1,100)	(4.1)
Animal Slaughtering	18,800	18,900	19,800	(100)	(0.5)	(1,000)	(5.1)
Paper Manufacturing	5,700	5,700	5,600	0	0.0	100	1.8
Plastics & Rubber	8,500	8,600	9,200	(100)	(1.2)	(700)	(7.6)
<b>Trade, Transportation &amp; Utilities</b>	<b>224,700</b>	<b>226,300</b>	<b>221,200</b>	<b>(1,600)</b>	<b>(0.7)</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>1.6</b>
Wholesale Trade	34,800	35,100	35,400	(300)	(0.9)	(600)	(1.7)
Retail Trade	141,500	142,800	138,700	(1,300)	(0.9)	2,800	2.0
Food & Beverage Stores	17,700	17,800	18,700	(100)	(0.6)	(1,000)	(5.3)
Grocery Stores	16,100	16,100	16,800	0	0.0	(700)	(4.2)
General Merchandise	38,200	38,500	37,300	(300)	(0.8)	900	2.4
Department Stores	10,300	10,000	9,500	300	3.0	800	8.4
Other General Merchandise	27,900	28,500	27,800	(600)	(2.1)	100	0.4
<b>Transportation, Warehouse, Utilities</b>	<b>48,400</b>	<b>48,400</b>	<b>47,100</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>1,300</b>	<b>2.8</b>
Utilities	8,100	8,000	7,900	100	1.3	200	2.5
Electric Power Generation	5,900	5,700	5,600	200	3.5	300	5.4
Transportation & Warehousing	40,300	40,400	39,200	(100)	(0.2)	1,100	2.8
Warehousing & Storage	8,400	8,500	7,900	(100)	(1.2)	500	6.3
<b>Information</b>	<b>13,900</b>	<b>14,000</b>	<b>14,600</b>	<b>(100)</b>	<b>(0.7)</b>	<b>(700)</b>	<b>(4.8)</b>
Telecommunications	7,100	7,200	7,400	(100)	(1.4)	(300)	(4.1)
<b>Financial Activities</b>	<b>46,000</b>	<b>45,700</b>	<b>46,400</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>(400)</b>	<b>(0.9)</b>
Finance & Insurance	34,200	33,900	34,200	300	0.9	0	0.0
Credit Intermediation	21,100	20,900	21,200	200	1.0	(100)	(0.5)
Depository Credit Intermediation	15,300	15,000	15,200	300	2.0	100	0.7
Insurance Carriers	11,100	11,100	11,300	0	0.0	(200)	(1.8)
Real Estate & Rental	11,800	11,800	12,200	0	0.0	(400)	(3.3)
<b>Professional &amp; Business Services</b>	<b>90,600</b>	<b>90,200</b>	<b>86,000</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>4,600</b>	<b>5.3</b>
Prof., Scient., Technical Services	33,200	32,700	32,100	500	1.5	1,100	3.4
Management of Companies	9,500	9,500	9,600	0	0.0	(100)	(1.0)
Admin Support & Waste Management	47,900	48,000	44,300	(100)	(0.2)	3,600	8.1
<b>Educational &amp; Health Services</b>	<b>121,000</b>	<b>123,600</b>	<b>117,800</b>	<b>(2,600)</b>	<b>(2.1)</b>	<b>3,200</b>	<b>2.7</b>
Education Services	15,400	16,100	15,700	(700)	(4.3)	(300)	(1.9)
Health Care & Social Assistance	105,600	107,500	102,100	(1,900)	(1.8)	3,500	3.4
Hospitals	29,300	28,800	29,000	500	1.7	300	1.0
Nursing & Resident Care	22,100	22,200	21,800	(100)	(0.5)	300	1.4
<b>Leisure &amp; Hospitality</b>	<b>119,000</b>	<b>117,600</b>	<b>129,700</b>	<b>1,400</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>(10,700)</b>	<b>(8.2)</b>
Arts, Entertainment, Recreation	12,500	11,600	14,500	900	7.8	(2,000)	(13.8)
Amusements, Gambling, Recreation	11,100	10,300	13,600	800	7.8	(2,500)	(18.4)
Accommodation & Food Services	106,500	106,000	115,200	500	0.5	(8,700)	(7.6)
Accommodation	29,100	28,300	37,000	800	2.8	(7,900)	(21.4)
Food Services & Drinking	77,400	77,700	78,200	(300)	(0.4)	(800)	(1.0)
<b>Other Services (Private)</b>	<b>37,300</b>	<b>37,500</b>	<b>37,900</b>	<b>(200)</b>	<b>(0.5)</b>	<b>(600)</b>	<b>(1.6)</b>
Repair & Maintenance	9,800	9,900	9,600	(100)	(1.0)	200	2.1
<b>Government</b>	<b>240,500</b>	<b>243,600</b>	<b>240,000</b>	<b>(3,100)</b>	<b>(1.3)</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>0.2</b>
Federal	25,600	25,500	25,800	100	0.4	(200)	(0.8)
State	59,000	58,500	59,000	500	0.9	0	0.0
State Education	20,600	20,400	20,200	200	1.0	400	2.0
Local	155,900	159,600	155,200	(3,700)	(2.3)	700	0.5
Local Education	81,500	85,600	80,400	(4,100)	(4.8)	1,100	1.4

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## Nonfarm Employment Mississippi - June 2006



## Nonfarm Employment - Mississippi



## Gulfport-Biloxi MSA Nonfarm Employment

**Includes Hancock, Harrison & Stone Counties**

	Preliminary June 2006	Revised May 2006	Revised June 2005	Monthly Change		Annual Change	
				Net	Pct	Net	Pct
<b>Total Nonfarm Employment</b>	<b>94,700</b>	<b>94,200</b>	<b>116,900</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>(22,200)</b>	<b>(19.0)</b>
<b>Total Private</b>	<b>71,300</b>	<b>70,700</b>	<b>92,200</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>(20,900)</b>	<b>(22.7)</b>
<b>Goods Producing</b>	<b>11,900</b>	<b>12,000</b>	<b>11,800</b>	<b>(100)</b>	<b>(0.8)</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>0.8</b>
<b>Service Providing</b>	<b>82,800</b>	<b>82,200</b>	<b>105,100</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>(22,300)</b>	<b>(21.2)</b>
Private Service Providing	59,400	58,700	80,400	700	1.2	(21,000)	(26.1)
<b>Natural Resources &amp; Construction</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>6,100</b>	<b>5,800</b>	<b>(100)</b>	<b>(1.6)</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>3.4</b>
<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>5,900</b>	<b>5,900</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>(100)</b>	<b>(1.7)</b>
<b>Trade, Transportation &amp; Utilities</b>	<b>16,300</b>	<b>16,500</b>	<b>20,700</b>	<b>(200)</b>	<b>(1.2)</b>	<b>(4,400)</b>	<b>(21.3)</b>
Retail Trade	11,200	11,400	14,400	(200)	(1.8)	(3,200)	(22.2)
<b>Leisure &amp; Hospitality</b>	<b>16,600</b>	<b>15,700</b>	<b>30,500</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>(13,900)</b>	<b>(45.6)</b>
<b>Government</b>	<b>23,400</b>	<b>23,500</b>	<b>24,700</b>	<b>(100)</b>	<b>(0.4)</b>	<b>(1,300)</b>	<b>(5.3)</b>
Federal	8,400	8,400	8,400	0	0.0	0	0.0
State	2,200	2,300	2,400	(100)	(4.3)	(200)	(8.3)
Local	12,800	12,800	13,900	0	0.0	(1,100)	(7.9)
Local Education	6,100	6,100	6,400	0	0.0	(300)	(4.7)

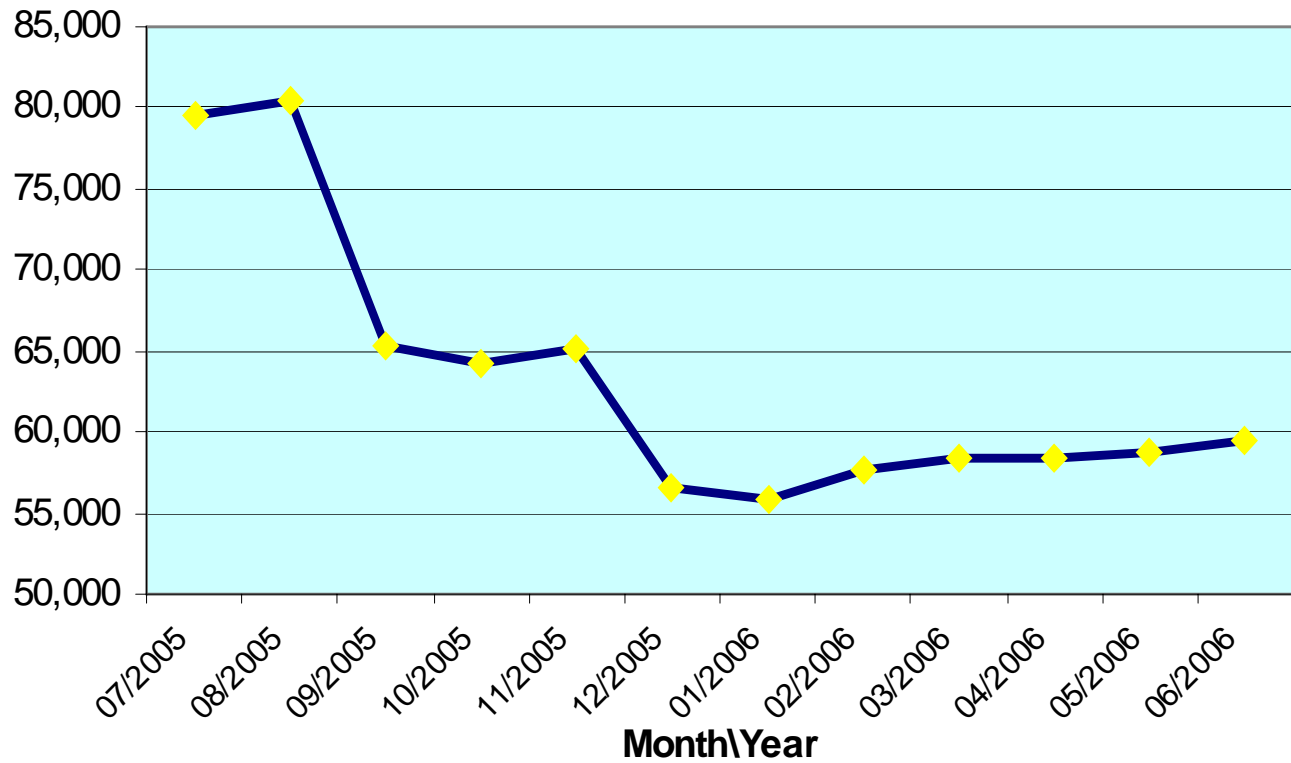
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**Includes Forrest, Lamar & Perry Counties**

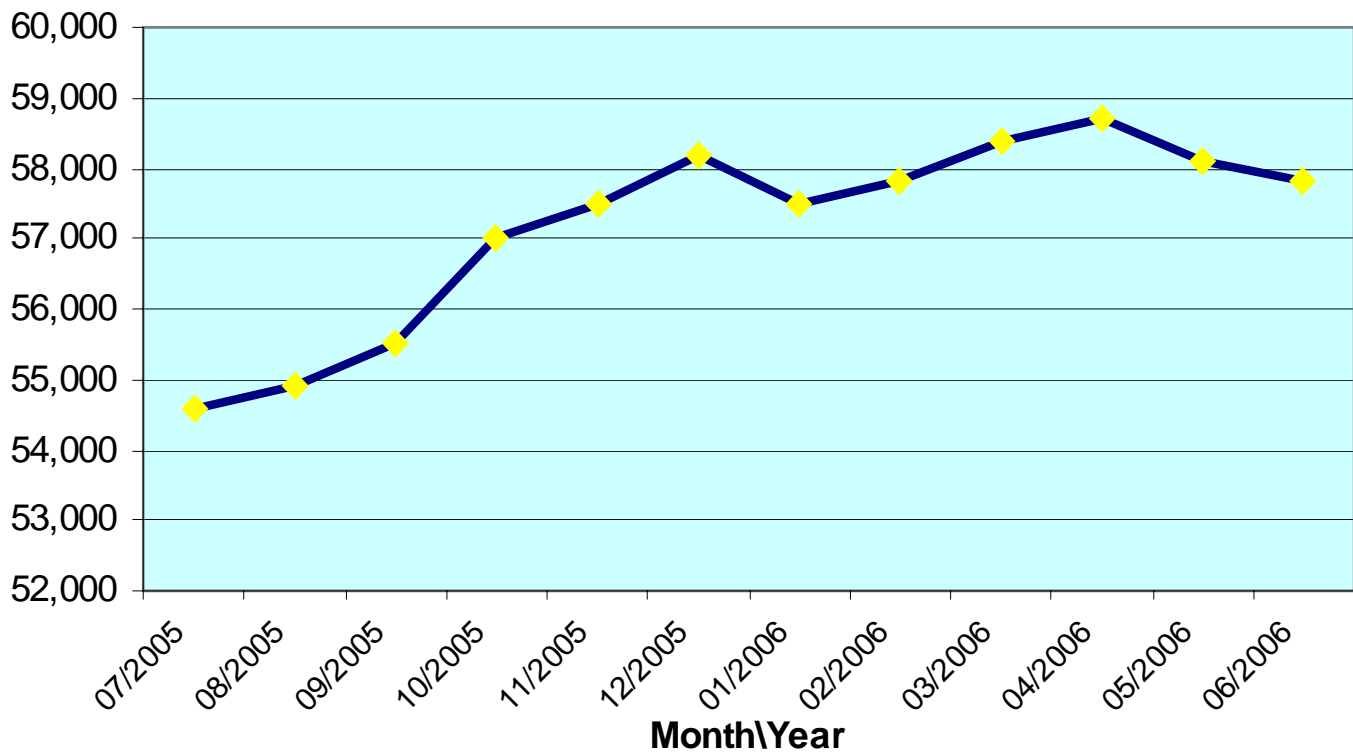
	Preliminary June 2006	Revised May 2006	Revised June 2005	Monthly Change		Annual Change	
				Net	Pct	Net	Pct
<b>Total Nonfarm Employment</b>	<b>57,800</b>	<b>58,100</b>	<b>55,400</b>	<b>(300)</b>	<b>(0.5)</b>	<b>2,400</b>	<b>4.3</b>
<b>Total Private</b>	<b>43,800</b>	<b>44,000</b>	<b>41,700</b>	<b>(200)</b>	<b>(0.5)</b>	<b>2,100</b>	<b>5.0</b>
<b>Goods Producing</b>	<b>7,400</b>	<b>7,500</b>	<b>7,100</b>	<b>(100)</b>	<b>(1.3)</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>4.2</b>
<b>Service Providing</b>	<b>50,400</b>	<b>50,600</b>	<b>48,300</b>	<b>(200)</b>	<b>(0.4)</b>	<b>2,100</b>	<b>4.3</b>
Private Service Providing	36,400	36,500	34,600	(100)	(0.3)	1,800	5.2
<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>4,400</b>	<b>4,500</b>	<b>4,400</b>	<b>(100)</b>	<b>(2.2)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Trade, Transportation &amp; Utilities</b>	<b>12,700</b>	<b>12,800</b>	<b>11,800</b>	<b>(100)</b>	<b>(0.8)</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>7.6</b>
Retail Trade	8,900	9,000	8,400	(100)	(1.1)	500	6.0
<b>Leisure &amp; Hospitality</b>	<b>6,500</b>	<b>6,500</b>	<b>6,500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Government</b>	<b>14,000</b>	<b>14,100</b>	<b>13,700</b>	<b>(100)</b>	<b>(0.7)</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>2.2</b>
Federal	700	700	700	0	0.0	0	0.0
State	3,800	3,900	3,800	(100)	(2.6)	0	0.0
Local	9,500	9,500	9,200	0	0.0	300	3.3
Local Education	3,500	3,700	3,500	(200)	(5.4)	0	0.0

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Nonfarm Employment - Gulfport Biloxi MSA



Nonfarm Employment - Hattiesburg MSA



## Jackson MSA Nonfarm Employment

**Includes Copiah, Hinds, Madison, Rankin & Simpson Counties**

	Preliminary June 2006	Revised May 2006	Revised June 2005	Monthly Change		Annual Change	
				Net	Pct	Net	Pct
<b>Total Nonfarm Employment</b>	<b>260,100</b>	<b>260,700</b>	<b>257,100</b>	<b>(600)</b>	<b>(0.2)</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>1.2</b>
<b>Total Private</b>	<b>206,300</b>	<b>207,400</b>	<b>203,400</b>	<b>(1,100)</b>	<b>(0.5)</b>	<b>2,900</b>	<b>1.4</b>
<b>Goods Producing</b>	<b>37,200</b>	<b>36,200</b>	<b>35,400</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>1,800</b>	<b>5.1</b>
<b>Service Providing</b>	<b>222,900</b>	<b>224,500</b>	<b>221,700</b>	<b>(1,600)</b>	<b>(0.7)</b>	<b>1,200</b>	<b>0.5</b>
Private Service Providing	169,100	171,200	168,000	(2,100)	(1.2)	1,100	0.7
<b>Natural Resources &amp; Mining</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Construction</b>	<b>13,400</b>	<b>13,200</b>	<b>12,200</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>1,200</b>	<b>9.8</b>
<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>23,000</b>	<b>22,200</b>	<b>22,400</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>2.7</b>
<b>Durable Goods</b>	<b>15,700</b>	<b>15,300</b>	<b>15,500</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>1.3</b>
Transportation Equipment	8,300	7,900	7,900	400	5.1	400	5.1
<b>Nondurable Goods</b>	<b>7,300</b>	<b>6,900</b>	<b>6,900</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>5.8</b>
<b>Trade, Transportation &amp; Utilities</b>	<b>53,500</b>	<b>54,000</b>	<b>52,500</b>	<b>(500)</b>	<b>(0.9)</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1.9</b>
Wholesale Trade	11,500	11,500	11,500	0	0.0	0	0.0
Retail Trade	31,000	31,400	29,700	(400)	(1.3)	1,300	4.4
General Merchandise	7,800	7,900	7,500	(100)	(1.3)	300	4.0
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	11,000	11,100	11,300	(100)	(0.9)	(300)	(2.7)
<b>Information</b>	<b>4,500</b>	<b>4,600</b>	<b>4,800</b>	<b>(100)</b>	<b>(2.2)</b>	<b>(300)</b>	<b>(6.3)</b>
<b>Financial Activities</b>	<b>15,800</b>	<b>15,900</b>	<b>16,200</b>	<b>(100)</b>	<b>(0.6)</b>	<b>(400)</b>	<b>(2.5)</b>
Finance & Insurance	12,400	12,600	12,600	(200)	(1.6)	(200)	(1.6)
Credit Intermediation	5,100	5,100	5,000	0	0.0	100	2.0
<b>Professional &amp; Business Services</b>	<b>29,800</b>	<b>29,800</b>	<b>28,800</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>3.5</b>
Profess., Scientific, Technical Services	12,600	12,400	12,500	200	1.6	100	0.8
Management of Companies	3,900	4,000	3,900	(100)	(2.5)	0	0.0
Admin Support & Waste Management	13,300	13,400	12,400	(100)	(0.7)	900	7.3
<b>Educational &amp; Health Services</b>	<b>33,700</b>	<b>34,000</b>	<b>33,200</b>	<b>(300)</b>	<b>(0.9)</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>1.5</b>
Health Care & Social Assistance	27,100	27,100	26,300	0	0.0	800	3.0
Hospitals	9,000	8,800	8,800	200	2.3	200	2.3
<b>Leisure &amp; Hospitality</b>	<b>21,700</b>	<b>22,900</b>	<b>22,300</b>	<b>(1,200)</b>	<b>(5.2)</b>	<b>(600)</b>	<b>(2.7)</b>
Accommodation & Food Services	20,600	20,700	19,600	(100)	(0.5)	1,000	5.1
<b>Other Services (Private)</b>	<b>10,100</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>10,200</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>(100)</b>	<b>(1.0)</b>
<b>Government</b>	<b>53,800</b>	<b>53,300</b>	<b>53,700</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>0.2</b>
Federal	5,500	5,400	5,500	100	1.9	0	0.0
State	25,600	25,100	26,100	500	2.0	(500)	(1.9)
State Education	6,400	6,400	6,500	0	0.0	(100)	(1.5)
Local	22,700	22,800	22,100	(100)	(0.4)	600	2.7
Local Education	13,500	14,000	13,700	(500)	(3.6)	(200)	(1.5)

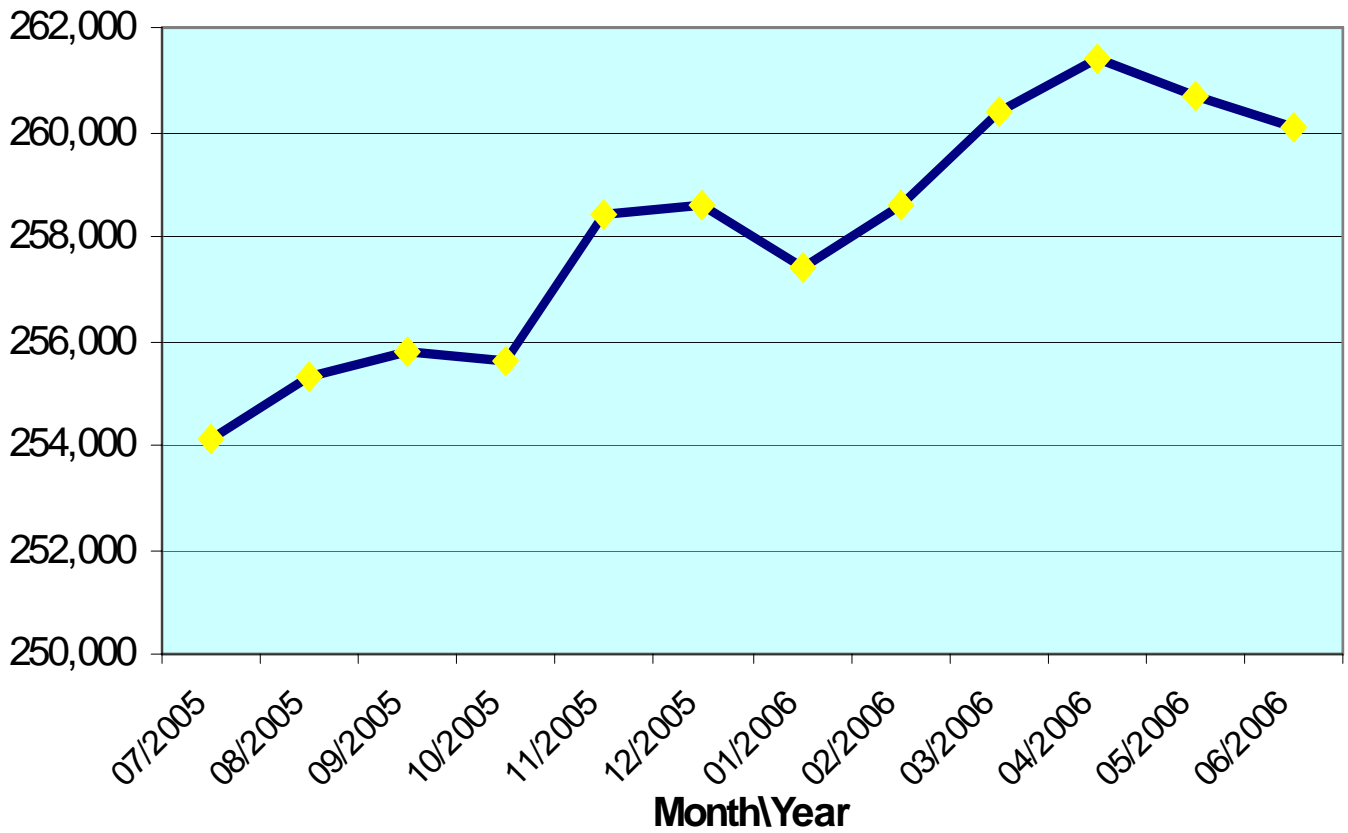
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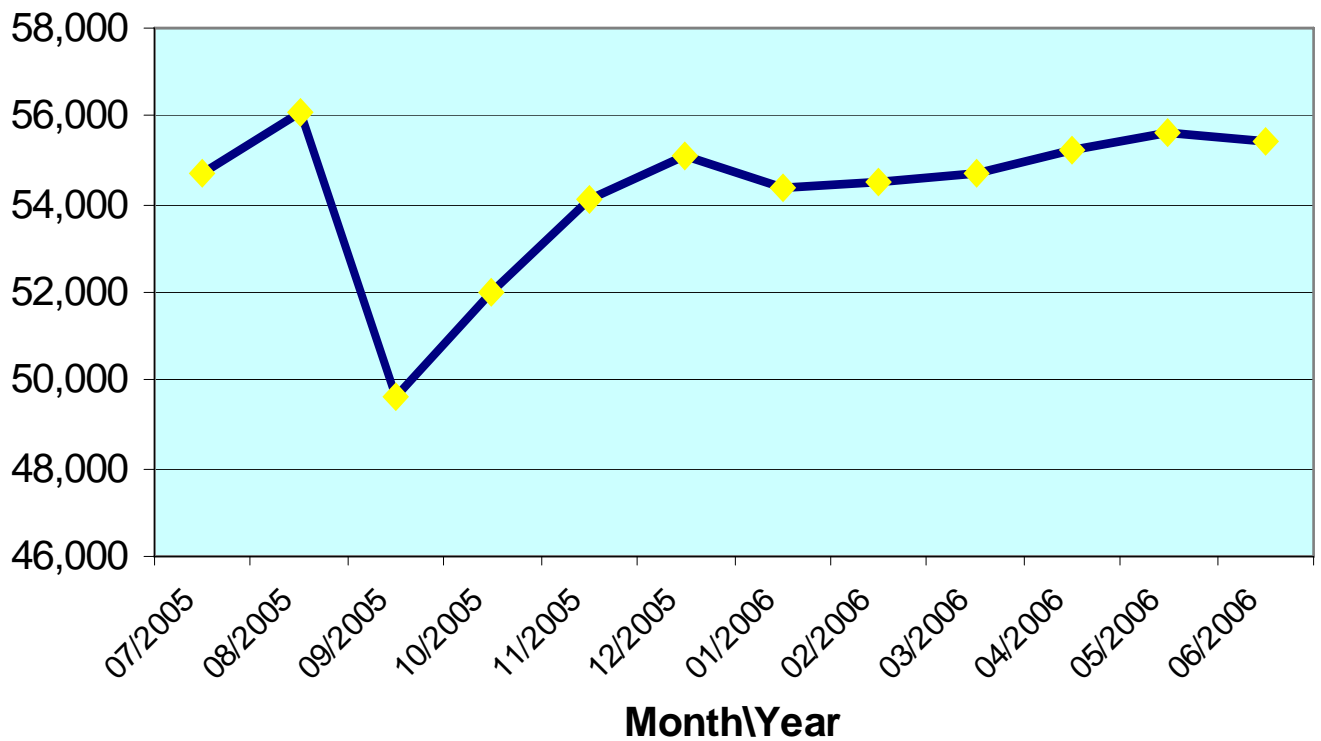
	Preliminary June 2006	Revised May 2006	Revised June 2005	Monthly Change		Annual Change	
				Net	Pct	Net	Pct
<b>Total Nonfarm Employment</b>	<b>55,400</b>	<b>55,600</b>	<b>56,000</b>	<b>(200)</b>	<b>(0.4)</b>	<b>(600)</b>	<b>(1.1)</b>
<b>Total Private</b>	<b>44,600</b>	<b>44,800</b>	<b>44,900</b>	<b>(200)</b>	<b>(0.4)</b>	<b>(300)</b>	<b>(0.7)</b>
<b>Goods Producing</b>	<b>17,900</b>	<b>17,600</b>	<b>18,800</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>(900)</b>	<b>(4.8)</b>
<b>Service Producing</b>	<b>37,500</b>	<b>38,000</b>	<b>37,200</b>	<b>(500)</b>	<b>(1.3)</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>0.8</b>
Private Service Providing	26,700	27,200	26,100	(500)	(1.8)	600	2.3
<b>Natural Resources &amp; Construction</b>	<b>2,800</b>	<b>2,900</b>	<b>2,300</b>	<b>(100)</b>	<b>(3.4)</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>21.7</b>
<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>15,100</b>	<b>14,700</b>	<b>16,500</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>(1,400)</b>	<b>(8.5)</b>
<b>Trade, Transportation &amp; Utilities</b>	<b>9,000</b>	<b>9,100</b>	<b>8,500</b>	<b>(100)</b>	<b>(1.1)</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>5.9</b>
Retail Trade	6,200	6,300	6,000	(100)	(1.6)	200	3.3
<b>Government</b>	<b>10,800</b>	<b>10,800</b>	<b>11,100</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>(300)</b>	<b>(2.7)</b>
Federal	800	800	800	0	0.0	0	0.0
State	400	400	500	0	0.0	(100)	(20.0)
Local	9,600	9,600	9,800	0	0.0	(200)	(2.0)
Local Education	4,600	4,600	4,700	0	0.0	(100)	(2.1)

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Nonfarm Employment - Jackson MSA



Nonfarm Employment - Pascagoula MSA





## Average Hours & Earnings

Data are for production workers only

### Mississippi

Manufacturing  
Durable Goods  
Wood Products  
Fabricated Metals  
Machinery  
Furniture  
Nondurable Goods  
Food Products

Avg. Weekly Earnings		
Jun 06	May 06	Jun 05
\$538.99	\$534.50	\$519.40
\$567.47	\$564.21	\$548.86
\$507.82	\$482.85	\$442.24
\$564.98	\$555.15	\$583.10
\$675.38	\$607.38	\$576.14
\$451.21	\$454.31	\$463.71
\$487.50	\$483.75	\$466.24
\$377.38	\$380.32	\$398.27

Avg. Weekly Hours		
Jun 06	May 06	Jun 05
39.4	39.1	39.2
39.6	39.4	39.6
44.9	43.5	41.1
40.5	40.7	42.5
44.2	40.6	41.3
35.5	36.2	37.7
39.0	38.7	38.5
37.7	38.3	39.2

Avg. Hourly Earnings		
Jun 06	May 06	Jun 05
\$13.68	\$13.67	\$13.25
\$14.33	\$14.32	\$13.86
\$11.31	\$11.10	\$10.76
\$13.95	\$13.64	\$13.72
\$15.28	\$14.96	\$13.95
\$12.71	\$12.55	\$12.30
\$12.50	\$12.50	\$12.11
\$10.01	\$9.93	\$10.16

### Jackson MSA Manufacturing

\$639.16	\$614.94	\$546.19
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38.0	37.0	36.1
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\$16.82	\$16.62	\$15.13
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## Comparative Labor Force Data

Not Seasonally Adjusted

### Mississippi

Civilian Labor Force  
Unemployed  
Unemployment Rate  
Employed

Jun 2006	May 2006	Jun 2005	Monthly Change		Annual Change	
			Net	Pct	Net	Pct
1,334,000	1,321,200	1,368,200	12,800	1.0	(34,200)	(2.5)
106,400	97,400	111,200	9,000	9.2	(4,800)	(4.3)
8.0%	7.4%	8.1%	0.6	xxx	(0.1)	xxx
1,227,600	1,223,800	1,257,000	3,800	0.3	(29,400)	(2.3)

### Gulfport-Biloxi MSA

Civilian Labor Force  
Unemployed  
Unemployment Rate  
Employed

Jun 2006	May 2006	Jun 2005	Monthly Change		Annual Change	
			Net	Pct	Net	Pct
109,050	108,020	127,190	1,030	1.0	(18,140)	(14.3)
13,680	13,940	8,770	(260)	(1.9)	4,910	56.0
12.5%	12.9%	6.9%	(0.4)	xxx	5.6	xxx
95,370	94,080	118,420	1,290	1.4	(23,050)	(19.5)

### Hattiesburg MSA

Civilian Labor Force  
Unemployed  
Unemployment Rate  
Employed

Jun 2006	May 2006	Jun 2005	Monthly Change		Annual Change	
			Net	Pct	Net	Pct
65,360	64,930	64,670	430	0.7	690	1.1
3,850	3,340	4,480	510	15.3	(630)	(14.1)
5.9%	5.1%	6.9%	0.8	xxx	(1.0)	xxx
61,510	61,590	60,190	(80)	(0.1)	1,320	2.2

### Jackson MSA

Civilian Labor Force  
Unemployed  
Unemployment Rate  
Employed

Jun 2006	May 2006	Jun 2005	Monthly Change		Annual Change	
			Net	Pct	Net	Pct
270,900	267,150	273,580	3,750	1.4	(2,680)	(1.0)
16,540	14,540	18,730	2,000	13.8	(2,190)	(11.7)
6.1%	5.4%	6.8%	0.7	xxx	(0.7)	xxx
254,360	252,610	254,850	1,750	0.7	(490)	(0.2)

### Pascagoula MSA

Civilian Labor Force  
Unemployed  
Unemployment Rate  
Employed

Jun 2006	May 2006	Jun 2005	Monthly Change		Annual Change	
			Net	Pct	Net	Pct
70,160	69,570	73,270	590	0.8	(3,110)	(4.2)
6,850	6,610	5,690	240	3.6	1,160	20.4
9.8%	9.5%	7.8%	0.3	xxx	2.0	xxx
63,310	62,960	67,580	350	0.6	(4,270)	(6.3)



## Unemployment Claims Data

	Current	Previous	Year Ago	Monthly Change		Annual Change	
	Jun 06	May 06	Jun 05	Net	Pct	Net	Pct
Initial UI Claims	12,308	15,794	13,695	(3,486)	(22.1)	(1,387)	(10.1)
Continued Claims	88,121	90,075	91,051	(1,954)	(2.2)	(2,930)	(3.2)
Benefits Paid	\$11,816,969	\$11,714,372	\$13,676,673	\$102,597	0.9	(\$1,859,704)	(13.6)
Weeks Paid	69,075	67,069	83,768	2,006	3.0	(14,693)	(17.5)
First Payments	5,254	3,988	6,584	1,266	31.7	(1,330)	(20.2)
Final Payments	1,307	2,110	1,552	(803)	(38.1)	(245)	(15.8)
Avg. Weekly Benefit	\$171.07	\$174.66	\$163.27	(\$3.59)	(2.1)	\$7.81	4.8

## Consumer Price Index

### All Urban Consumers (U)

	Current	Previous	Year Ago	Monthly Change		Annual Change	
	Jun 06	May 06	Jun 05	Net	Pct	Net	Pct
All Items (1982-84= 100)	202.9	202.5	194.5	0.4	0.2	8.4	4.3
Food & Beverages	195.1	194.7	190.9	0.4	0.2	4.2	2.2
Housing	203.7	202.2	195.5	1.5	0.7	8.2	4.2
Shelter	232.2	231.2	224.5	1.0	0.4	7.7	3.4
Rent of primary residence	224.4	223.6	216.8	0.8	0.4	7.6	3.5
Apparel	118.9	122.4	118.3	(3.5)	(2.9)	0.6	0.5
Transportation	187.3	187.6	171.8	(0.3)	(0.2)	15.5	9.0
Medical Care	336.0	335.6	322.9	0.4	0.1	13.1	4.1
Recreation *	111.2	111.2	109.1	0.0	0.0	2.1	1.9
Education & Communications *	115.9	115.7	112.8	0.2	0.2	3.1	2.7
Other Goods & Services	321.5	320.2	312.5	1.3	0.4	9.0	2.9

### Wage Earners & Clerical Workers (W)

	Current	Previous	Year Ago	Monthly Change		Annual Change	
	Jun 06	May 06	Jun 05	Net	Pct	Net	Pct
All Items (1982-84= 100)	198.6	198.2	190.1	0.4	0.2	8.5	4.5
Food & Beverages	194.2	193.9	190.3	0.3	0.2	3.9	2.0
Housing	198.9	197.4	190.9	1.5	0.8	8.0	4.2
Shelter	224.7	223.7	217.3	1.0	0.4	7.4	3.4
Rent of primary residence	223.5	222.7	215.9	0.8	0.4	7.6	3.5
Apparel	118.4	121.9	117.9	(3.5)	(2.9)	0.5	0.4
Transportation	187.1	187.7	170.6	(0.6)	(0.3)	16.5	9.7
Medical Care	335.5	335.0	322.5	0.5	0.1	13.0	4.0
Recreation *	108.6	108.5	106.6	0.1	0.1	2.0	1.9
Education & Communications *	113.3	113.0	110.7	0.3	0.3	2.6	2.3
Other Goods & Services	330.8	329.3	320.9	1.5	0.5	9.9	3.1

\* Indexes on a December 1997 = 100 base

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